# Weather & Seasons Activities for Thursday

#### On the Move

#### **Fall Leaf Raking**

This dramatic play exercise should help bring back those wonderful memories of fall leaves.

#### Materials:

- Paper (white or fall leaf colored paper)
- Crayons/markers (red, orange, or yellow)
- Scissors
- Broom

#### Instructions:

- 1. Create your fall leaves by coloring white paper with red, orange & yellow crayons/markers or by cutting varied shapes of red, orange & yellow paper.
- 2. Have your child assist you in making the fall leaves by ripping pieces of red, orange & yellow paper into small pieces.
- 3. Scatter the leaves over a cleared space in your home.
- 4. Encourage your child to sweep the leaves into a pile/to a specific area.

### **Adventures Online**

#### **Seasonal Songs in Motion**

Sing along and learn about the different things that happens in each season.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fv1UTnSsRPM

### **Sensory Time**

### **Cloudy Day**

Clouds come in all shapes and sizes. What can you see in the clouds?

### Materials:

- ¼ cup of tear free soap/shampoo
- ½ cup water
- 2 tablespoons of flour
- Large mixing bowl
- Hand mixer or whisk
- Food coloring (optional)

#### Instructions:

- 1. Add tear free soap/shampoo, flour, water and optional food coloring to the large mixing bowl.
- 2. Parents, Whip with hand mixer or whisk until stiff peaks form (When you lift the mixer/whisk the peak that forms will keep its shape).
- 3. Try this fun activity outside or during bath time.

# **Story Time**

### Little Tree

Let's read along to a story about a Little Tree who loves his life and the splendid leaves that keep him cool in the heat during the summer.

Read Aloud: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CGquWvJH39M">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CGquWvJH39M</a>

# **Arts and Creativity**

## **Dressing up for the Weather**

Toddlers always love to dress up, so why not dress up for the weather! Role playing is a great activity to push in key vocabulary words and create meaningful conversations with your toddler.

#### Materials:

• Clothes around your home for each season or for the weather (coat, sweater, shorts, hats, raincoat, rain boots, sandals, closed toe shoes, etc.)

#### Instructions:

- 1. Gather clothes around your home for each season or for the weather.
- 2. Ask your toddler questions like, "What clothes do they would wear when its summer time?" or "It's raining outside what things will I need to stay dry?"
- 3. Try dressing up with your toddler and role play the season or weather you have both dressed for!